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- 1. JAPANESE PRESS THIS MORNING REPORTED THAT DURING MEETING OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AT PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICIAL RESIDENCE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, GOJ DECIDED TO ALLOW AT LEAST SOME VIET REFUGEES IN JAPAN TO RESIDE HERE PERMANENTLY. PERMISSION IS REPORTEDLY TIED TO CONDITIONS INCLUDING EXISTANCE OF ACCEPTABLE "FOSTER PARENTS" OR OTHER GUARANTORS, PLUS ADDITIONAL CRITERIA YET TO BE WORKED OUT. JUSTICE MINISTRY, WHICH INCLUDES IMMIGRATION BUREAU, REPORTEDLY WORKING ON DETAILS OF PLAN TO BE PRESENTED AT CABINET MEETING FRIDAY APRIL 28.
- 2. GOJ DECISION REPORTEDLY IN RESPONSE TO USG'S "DISSATISFACTION" WITH GOJ'S NOT ALLOWING ANY VIET REFUGEES TO SETTLE IN JAPAN. PRIME MINISTER ALSO REPORTEDLY HOPES TO INFORM PRESIDENT OF THIS LATEST DECISION DURING MAY 3 MEETING ALONG WITH JAPAN'S PLANS (REPORTED REFTEL) TO INCREASE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO UN REFUGEE FUND. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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3. JUSTICE MINISTRY'S IMMIGRATION OFFICIAL CONFIRMED THAT ASAHI ARTICLE ESSENTIALLY CORRECT BUT THAT DETAILS YET TO BE WORKED OUT. SHERMAN

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